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SUBJ: NAMIBIA: VORSTER MEETING WITH TURNHALLE DELEGATES; FIVE-
POWER TALKS WITH SAG IN CAPE TOWN

REF: CAPE TOWN 0596 AND STATE 089710

1. ACCORDING TO CAPE TIMES THIS MORNING, APRIL 23, PRIME MINISTER VORSTER MADE BRIEF STATEMENT FOLLOWING HIS MEETING YESTERDAY WITH TURNHALLE CONSTITUTIONAL COMMITTEE, SAYING (A) PURPOSE HAD BEEN TO CONTINUE DISCUSSIONS BEGUN IN PRETORIA LAST YEAR, (B) HE HAD INFORMED TURNHALLE DELEGATES OF THE ATTITUDE OF THE FIVE WESTERN POWERS TOWARD MAKING THE SOUTH WEST AFRICA INDEPENDENCE PROCESS ACCEPTABLE TO THE WEST, AND (C) IT HAD BEEN DECIDED TO FORM A COMMITTEE OF TURNHALLE DELEGATES TO STANDBY FOR POSSIBLE CONSULTATION WHEN THE TOP-LEVEL TALKS BETWEEN SAG AND THE FIVE POWERS BEGIN ON WEDENESDAY, APRIL 27. ON LATTER POINT, VORSTER IS QUOTED AS SAYING; "FOLLOWING FROM
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THESE TALKS (WITH TURNHALLE CONSTITUTIONAL COMMITTEE), IT WAS DECIDED THAT A COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE PEOPLE OF SOUTH WEST AFRICA WILL ALSO BE IN ATTENDANCE NEXT WEEK SO THAT IF AND WHEN IT IS NECESSARY, THEY CAN BE CONSULTED IN RESPECT OF MATTERS RAISED AT THESE TALKS." PM WOULD NOT SAY HOW THE PROPOSED COMMITTEE WOULD BE SELECTED; IT WAS NOT UP TO HIM TO SAY HOW IT SHOULD BE DONE. TIMES REPORT NOTES THE

PM MADE NO MENTION OF A DEFINITE MEETING BETWEEN TURNHALLE
DELEGATES AND THE WESTERN ENVOYS.

2. IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOREGOING LANGUAGE USED BY VORSTER
ON THE PROPOSED COMMITTEE, I TOOK THE OPPORTUNITY IN A CONVERSATION
WITH DFA SECRETARY FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS BRAND FOURIE THIS MORN-
ING TO POINT OUT THAT THE PURPOSE OF THE CONTACT GROUP IS TO
TALK WITH THE SAG AND DISCOURAGED HIM FROM THINKING THAT THE
GROUP WOULD WISH TO TALK TO THE TURNHALLE DELEGATES. BOWDLER

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